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FREE!

WE are going to give away one of the Handsomest Dolls ever shown in our city on January 1, 1907. You just as well have it as anybody. This is the way to get it, with every \$1.00 spent in CASH or PRODUCE with us until January 1, 1907, you get a chance FREE. Tickets given with every 25c purchase. If you do not want to buy a dollar's worth at a time, hold your tickets until you get \$1.00 worth, then bring them to us and we will give you a chance FREE.

These chances will only be given for either CASH or PRODUCE, no paid off accounts or goods bought on credit will get chances, only CASH or PRODUCE. We want all the children who come to Keytesville between now and Christmas to come in and see the

DOLL

and see the largest line of TOYS we have ever handled. Ask for your tickets they are FREE.

S. M. WHITE

Phone No. 26
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Roll of Honor.

Our sincere thanks are extended to the following friends who have either become new subscribers or renewed their subscription to the COURIER since our last issue. May heaven bless them:

NEW SUBSCRIBERS.

W. M. McDonald,	Frank Wolfe,
L. P. Chapman,	G. B. Young,
Clark Blackman,	C. E. Fleetwood,
L. G. Burrus,	G. L. Fennell,
John Dorrance,	A. F. Bash.

RENEWALS.

J. M. Smith,	L. Sharp,
R. B. Kilpatrick,	Luther Mahaney,
J. S. Daniels,	J. B. Cameron,
F. J. Lalin,	G. G. Gallatin,
J. C. Bowman,	C. H. Atterbury,
J. P. Lucas,	J. D. Head,
W. N. Wheeler,	A. Wethers,
Stewart Henderson,	L. A. Schmitt,
Frank Biggs,	A. O. Bachtel,
Jas. Wren,	R. P. James,
W. H. Meyer,	F. D. McCormick,
Jas. L. Applegate,	G. W. Conrad,
W. A. Kraegerger,	W. T. Cropper,
J. S. Myers,	Joe Hinton,
L. J. Stewart,	Mrs. Mary Peglow,
Mrs. Ann C. Wood,	F. S. Horton,
Mrs. Maud Johnson,	French Johnson,
S. W. Webb,	F. M. Elliott.

Found Dead in Bed.

Jas. Barnett, Sr., one of the best men and most highly-esteemed citizens of Cunningham township, was found dead in bed at his home, four miles east of Sumner, Friday morning after he had failed to respond to a call for breakfast. Heart trouble was evidently the cause of his death, and no inquest was deemed necessary. The deceased was a widower, but leaves several children with whom the COURIER condoles in their loss of a kind, loving and indulgent father.

The protracted meeting, conducted by Evangelist Goodall at the M. E. church in Rothville, closed Thursday night of last week. The result was 11 accessions to the church.

Cupid's Conquests.

HOUSTON-JONES:—Wash Houston and Miss Georgia Jones, both of Forest Green, were married at Forest Green Thursday, November 29, 1906, Justice Geo. Binks officiating.

HUDSON-FREEMAN:—Hiram Hudson and Miss Eliza Freeman, both of Brunswick, were married in that city Monday, December 3, 1906, Rev. C. H. Owen making the twain one.

HENDERSON-COOK:—W. M. Henderson of Hamden and Miss Adelia B. Cook of Mussefork were married at Mussefork Wednesday, November 28, 1906, Rev. Wm. Young tying the nuptial knot.

HARPER-JAMES:—R. P. Harper and Miss Clara James, both of Brunswick, were married at the residence of the officiating minister, Rev. Franc. Mitchell, in Keytesville, Wednesday, November 28, 1906.

YOUNG-WATSON:—Clarence O. Young and Miss Elsie May Watson, both of Forest Green, were married at Forest Green Wednesday, November 28, 1906, Rev. H. H. Johnson of Salisbury wedding the golden chain of wedlock.

BILLUPS-ALLEN:—Ben Billups and Miss Cora Allen, both of Sumner, were married in the hall of the courthouse at Keytesville Monday, December 3, 1906, Justice H. A. Wheeler adjusting the matrimonial yoke.

MCSPARREN-WILSON:—Wm. H. McSparren of Hamden and Miss Mabel Wilson of Bynumville were married at the home of the bride's parents Thursday, November 29, 1906, Rev. J. W. Green sealing the plighted vows.

KINKHORST-BINFORD:—B. H. Kinkhorst of Brunswick and Miss Vauciel Binford of Fayette, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Binford, formerly of Brunswick, were married at Brunswick Wednesday, November 28, 1906, Rev. Franc. Mitchell launching their hymeneal bark.

CLINT-THORNE:—For some time Sumner society has been all agog over the approaching marriage of Morgan Clint of Meadville, a student at the State university in Columbia, Mo., and Miss Lou Thorne, a winsome daughter of Mayor John Thorne of Sumner, which joyous event took place at the Main Street Methodist church in Sumner Thursday evening, November 29, 1906, Rev. Joseph Scarborough pronouncing the magic words that linked the hearts and lives of the bridal pair. The attendants were Woodford Thorne as groomsmen and Miss Georgia Thompson as bridesmaid, Messrs. Roy Southers and Howard Watterson and Misses Clo Waugh and Artie Smart. The wedding march was rendered by the Sumner orchestra and the song, "O, Promise Me," was sung by Mrs. C. W. Northcutt. The church was beautifully decorated and was filled to its utmost capacity by people who "just like to see a wedding." Following the marriage ceremony the bridal party and about 150 guests repaired to the home of the bride's parents where an elaborate feast of good things to eat was served. The COURIER joins the many friends of Mr. and Mrs. Clint in the hope they will find more joy in each other's love as each succeeding day rolls by.

The Triplett Hunting Club.

The editor of the COURIER had the good fortune to be present at the fourth annual banquet given by the Triplett Hunting club at Brammer's cafe in Triplett Thursday night, November 29, 1906.

The members of the club are: W. P. Gaines, C. F. Merrifield, W. S. Shipp, D. S. McCullough, Thos. O'Connell, J. L. Gilvin, J. S. Shipp, Lee Triplett, J. M. Brammer, A. F. Maddock, J. A. Triplett, Dr. W. G. Brown and Frank Fleetwood.

The fourth annual hunt of the club took place Thursday, November 22. The highest score was 1,620 points and was made by J. L. Gilvin, who killed 42 rabbits, 3 crows and 1 owl.

The scores of others are given by the Triplett Tribune as follows:

W. S. Shipp, 24 rabbits, 1 dove, 1 quail and 1 squirrel; 885 points.

Thos. O'Connell, 23 rabbits and 3 quails; 880 points.

A. F. Maddock, 21 rabbits, 3 quails and 1 owl; 840 points.

Frank Fleetwood, 19 rabbits and 3 quails; 740 points.

J. S. Shipp, 17 rabbits, 4 quails and 1 owl; 725 points.

W. G. Brown, 20 rabbits; 700 points.

J. M. Brammer, 19 rabbits, 1 owl; 695 points.

C. F. Merrifield, 17 rabbits and 2 quails; 645 points.

D. S. McCullough, 10 rabbits, 6 quails and 1 crow; 540 points.

W. P. Gaines, 12 rabbits and 2 quails; 470 points.

Lee Triplett, 13 rabbits; 455 points.

J. A. Triplett, 6 rabbits and 3 quail; 285 points.

Elmer Billups and John Hinrichs made together 2,215 points but as pooling was against the rules of the club, their points were not counted. As the boys were ignorant of this ruling they were invited to partake of the supper.

Some of the crack shots of the club made low scores because they were unfortunate in not finding the game to kill.

According to the agreement those making the lowest scores were required to furnish the viands for the banquet. These victims were: W. P. Gaines, C. F. Merrifield, D. S. McCullough, Lee Triplett, Dr. W. G. Brown, J. M. Brammer and J. A. Triplett, who kept their part of the agreement most admirably.

The feast as prepared by Mrs. J. M. Brammer was one fit for the gods and fully demonstrated that good lady's superior ability as a culinary artist.

When supper was announced, the winners, having won their spurs in the hunt from their vanquished opponents, were given seats at the first table where they listened to an eloquent toast, "The Winners," by J. M. Brammer, who was one of the losers. Mr. Brammer's remarks showed that he was "game" even in the hour of defeat.

The menu cards were printed in Latin and created much amusement, but some of the wise ones tried hard to order from the dead language, but were finally forced to abandon the task and partake of the feast in dialect of the United States.

The best of music was furnished during the evening by Minor's orchestra and was greatly enjoyed.

The editor of the COURIER feels honored by having received an

invitation, to the banquet and we assure our friends of the Triplett Hunting club that we enjoyed their hospitality in the highest degree and we promise to use our best endeavors to get hungry again about the same time next year.

Probate Pointers.

Est. W. R. Ray: Cecil Wayland, administrator, presents petition for sale of real estate. Ordered that order of publication be published in the Mendon Constitution.

Est. Wm. Johnson: O. P. Ray, administrator, presents his final settlement, and said settlement showing said estate fully administered and debts all paid, it is ordered that said administrator be discharged.

Est. heirs Susan Robbins: O. P. Ray, guardian and curator, presents his first and final settlement, and said settlement showing that Annie Robbins has been paid in full, and that there is due Ellen Robbins the sum of \$21.25, it is ordered that said Ray pay said sum to her.

Annual settlements of estates approved as follows: Heirs Jas. Mac Dowell, O. P. Ray, guardian and curator, 5th; Clay Johnson, O. P. Ray, guardian and curator, 1st; Kendrick Redman, O. P. Ray, guardian and curator, 4th.

Christian Convention Program.

The fifth Lord's day meeting of the Chariton Christian Missionary society will be held at Sumner December 29-30.

Let all hear this excellent program:

SATURDAY NIGHT.

7:00—Devotional services, W. D. McCulley, Cameron.

7:30—Address, illustrated by stereopticon views, delivered by T. A. Abbott, State Cor. Sec., Kansas City.

SUNDAY MORNING.

9:00—Sunday-school.

10:00—Devotional services, B. H. Smith, Brunswick.

10:20—"The importance of the Country Church," W. H. Fetterhoff, Salisbury.

10:40—"The Need of Co-operation, Theo. Mayhew.

11:10—President's Address, J. E. Wolfe, Keytesville.

11:45—Administration of the Lord's Supper.

12:00—Adjournment for dinner.

SUNDAY AFTERNOON.

2:00—Devotional services, W. H. Fetterhoff, Salisbury.

2:20—Report of treasurer, B. H. Smith.

2:30—Sermon, E. Cornelius, Canton, Mo.

3:00—Address, T. A. Abbott.

SUNDAY NIGHT.

7:00—Consecration service, J. E. Wolfe.

7:30—Sermon, W. D. McCulley. It is now time for you to pay all unpaid subscriptions to the treasurer, B. H. Smith, Brunswick.

E. H. WILLIASON, Secretary.

When the amount of taxes collected in Keytesville and the revenues from two saloons are considered, it is a burning shame and disgrace that the people of this town are compelled to wade in mud shoe mouth deep to get over a street-crossing. How long, oh! how long will this condition of affairs continue? Give us something besides mud for our taxes and saloons licenses, city dade.

A Letter from L. J. Stewart.

L. J. Stewart, a son of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Stewart of near Brunswick, writes us an interesting letter, which we deem worthy of publication for the reason that we fully endorse his position on county supervision of public schools. It is an important step in the way of educational progress, and we hope that Chariton county will soon get in line with her more progressive sister counties. Mr. Stewart's letter follows:

MR. C. P. VANDIVER,
Editor COURIER.

Dear Sir:—I am reminded by the label on my paper that my subscription for the COURIER is due. The COURIER is like a letter from home and I feel that I could not do without it. Enclosed please find \$1 for which I will be glad to receive your paper for another year.

I am very pleasantly located in the school here at Skidmore. Skidmore is a thriving little town of some 700 inhabitants, and is especially proud of her school. We have an enrollment of 175, five teachers, and a three-years' high school course. There will be another teacher added to the faculty next year, making six members.

Nodaway county ranks near the top in the agricultural counties of this state, and is fast pushing to the front in education. Having adopted county supervision last spring, her rural schools are now being graded and systematized under the guidance of our efficient county superintendent, W. M. Oakerson. At the close of the year the graduates from the eighth grade in the rural schools will be prepared and can enter the ninth grade of the town high school. I feel that Nodaway county is ahead of Chariton in school spirit. I have taught four years in Chariton and two in Nodaway and believe that I understand the conditions in both counties. I think wise supervision is the salvation of the rural schools, and trust that a law providing for the same will be passed by the coming legislature. If not then I think Chariton county ought to make a step forward by adopting it for herself. I believe that if the people understood the benefits to be derived from supervision of the rural schools each county would adopt it regardless of a state law, but to be sure of it we want a state law providing for school supervision. I feel that Chariton county's influence will be used to that end.

Wishing the COURIER continued prosperity, I am

Very respectfully,

L. J. STEWART.

For Sergeant-at-Arms.

Judge Wm. N. Hamilton has shied his castor into the ring and is a candidate for sergeant-at-arms of the house of representatives. He is meeting with much encouragement, and hopes to land the position. Judge Hamilton is a native Missourian, a life-long Democrat, and a man in every way worthy of the honor he seeks. He will go into the caucus with strong endorsements, and if his friends will boost him with sufficient energy, he ought to win, hands down. So mote it be.

W. F. Riddell has brought a suit to quiet title against John Kitchen et al at the February, 1906, term of circuit court at Salisbury. F. C. Sasse of Brunswick is Mr. Riddell's attorney.

Omega Initiation.

Friday afternoon it was raining. The street crossings were muddy as only Keytesville crossings can be. A girl wearing a gray suit and a red hat and alas! no rubbers stood in the middle of a muddy, muddy crossing. In one hand she held a blue umbrella, in the other a silver plate. A man was passing by. The girl raised her umbrella a little higher and said: "However large and quite noticeable, do not notice them." The man stopped, stared and smiled. When he attempted to pass on, the girl walked before him which gave him an opportunity to read the placard pinned to her coat. He read: "Pledged Omega. Give me a penny." On first one crossing and then another, this forlorn looking figure stood until late in the afternoon. The plate became heavier and heavier and the small boys passing by said: "Gee, look at the pennies."

A very fetching little lady appeared on the streets of our town Saturday afternoon. Her shoes were laced with pink and green, her hair was braided and tied with pink and green. Even her cap was fastened on with enormous pink and green bows—in fact, she was just a superfluity of pink and green trappings. She boarded the street car in company with seven other young ladies. The car was crowded and Miss Pink and Green entertained everybody with her songs.

Saturday night the moon was shining. Seven girls ran down the street leading to Miss Mary Wayland's home. We never realized before what awful noise paddles could make on a wire fence. Seven girls enter a yard.

Rah! rah! rah!

Omega! Omega!

Rah! rah! rah!

A girl comes out on the porch and is immediately blind-folded and hurried away. Eight girls open the door of the club room—but, wait awhile, we won't enter just yet.

At 9:30 p. m. Saturday night, Miss Mary Wayland was declared a full-fledged Omega. The Omegas then gave a spread in the club room for their new "Miss Meggie." Miss Lucy White chaperoned the party and Miss Elizabeth Tooley was the out-of-town guest. The Omegas present were Misses Wayland, O'Bryan, Hancock, Anderson, Minter, Taylor and Vaughan. The absent member was Miss Julia Willis Anderson, who was ill.

Miss Jessie Faller, secretary of the Chariton County club at the state university, Columbia, Mo., entertained the members of the club remaining in Columbia during the holiday Thanksgiving evening. Among those present, including the hostess and her friend, Miss Weise, were Misses Williamson and Clark and Messrs. Daily, Hechler, Kelso, Colvin, McAllister, Seneker and Vater. An enjoyable evening was spent in getting better acquainted and in games, and closed with refreshments. May the hostess continue long to be a dispenser of the good things of life is the wish of the club members.

W. C. Gaston has traded his cottage residence in Keytesville, now occupied by E. M. Carter at the southeast corner of Ash and Pine streets, to C. J. Franklin for Mr. Franklin's 60-acre farm, six or seven miles northeast of town. Mr. Gaston paid Mr. Franklin \$500 "to boot," the consideration for the cottage being \$1,300, and \$1,800, or \$30 an acre, for the farm. Possession in both instances is to be given February 1, 1907.